



South Carolina Crop Progress and Condition Report



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This report contains data collected each week from respondents across the state whose occupations provide them opportunities to discuss agricultural production with farmers in their counties as well as to make visual observations. We thank all who have contributed to this report.

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General

According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in South Carolina, there were 5.7 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, July 5, 2020. Precipitation ranged from no rain to 3.4 inches. Average high temperatures ranged from the mid 80s to the high 90s. Average low temperatures ranged from the high 60s to the high 70s.

Crops

Row crops were recovering from surplus rain in June. Hot, mostly dry days matured crops at a rapid pace and kept most farm activities moving. Wheat harvest was nearly complete. Weed control continued in peanuts as well as fungicide applications.

Vegetable crops matured nicely, even though exhibiting heat stress from the recent hot weather. Cucurbit Downy Mildew (on cucumbers) was reported throughout the Pee Dee Region. Powdery Mildew was wide spread on other cucurbit crops. Heavy spider mite activity and bacterial spot was reported on tomatoes.

Livestock and Pastures

Pastures grew quickly and looked good. Cattle condition remained mostly good.

Crop Progress for Week Ending 07/05/20

Crop stage	Prev year	Prev week	This week	5 Year avg
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn - Silking.....	91	76	85	94
Cotton - Squaring.....	62	33	37	48
Cotton - Setting Bolls.....	20	2	4	9
Hay - 2nd Cutting.....	4	10	24	11
Peaches - Harvested.....	52	57	70	49
Peanuts - Pegging.....	69	47	53	61
Soybeans - Planted.....	95	89	92	95
Soybeans - Emerged.....	82	75	85	88
Soybeans - Blooming.....	10	3	7	7
Tobacco - Topped.....	42	30	33	42
Winter wheat - Harvested	97	80	92	98

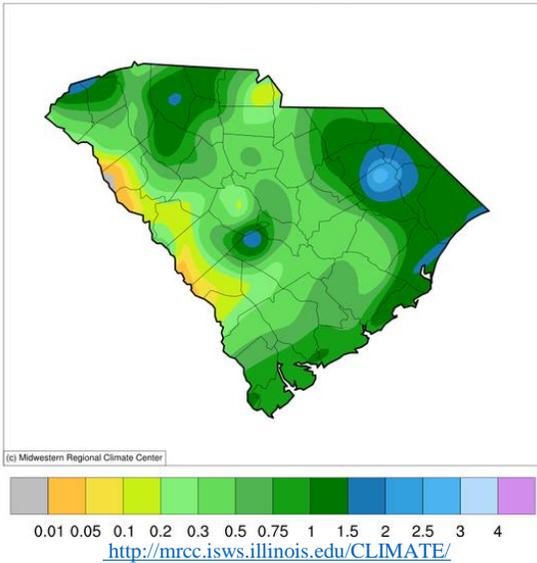
Conditions for Week Ending 07/05/20

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Cattle.....	1	1	15	67	16
Corn.....	5	11	22	44	18
Cotton.....	7	9	22	54	8
Pasture and range..	0	1	22	69	8
Peanuts.....	2	5	19	64	10
Soybeans.....	8	6	22	43	21
Tobacco.....	5	11	16	49	19

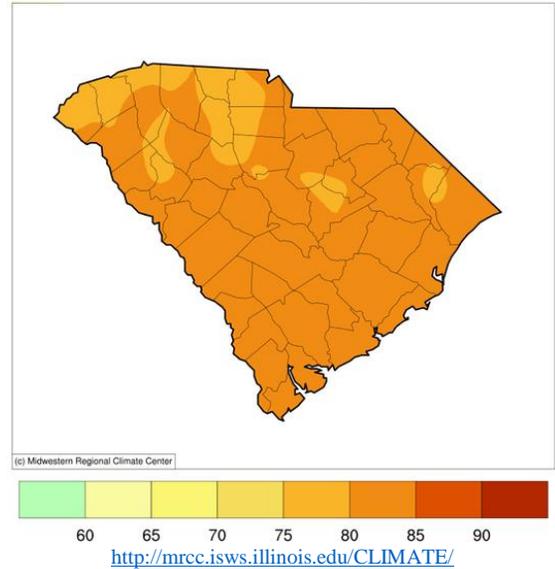
Soil Moisture for Week Ending 07/05/20

Topsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	2
Short.....	2	16
Adequate.....	90	80
Surplus.....	8	2
Subsoil	Previous week	This week
	(percent)	(percent)
Very short.....	0	1
Short.....	1	5
Adequate.....	91	88
Surplus.....	8	6

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
June 29, 2020 to July 05, 2020



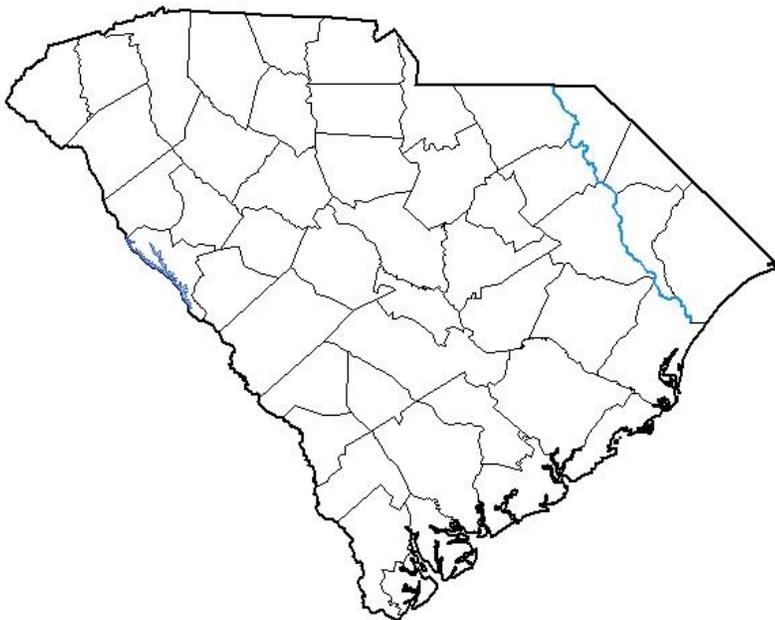
Average Temperature (°F)
June 29, 2020 to July 05, 2020



For the state's complete Weekly Weather Summary http://www.dnr.sc.gov/climate/sco/ClimateData/cli_reports_2020.php

U.S. Drought Monitor South Carolina

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last Week 06-23-2020	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3 Months Ago 03-31-2020	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Calendar Year 12-31-2019	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Start of Water Year 10-01-2019	22.06	77.94	48.67	20.47	1.77	0.00
One Year Ago 07-02-2019	75.78	24.22	6.68	0.00	0.00	0.00

Intensity:

- None
- D0 Abnormally Dry
- D1 Moderate Drought
- D2 Severe Drought
- D3 Extreme Drought
- D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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